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FM AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

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SUBJECT: MEA RECONFIRMS NUCLEAR POLICY

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1. ASKED TO COMMENT ON THE PRIME MINISTER'S STATEMENT IN PARLIAMENT (REFTELS), AN MEA SPOKESMAN TOLD THE PRESS JULY 28 THAT THERE WAS NO CHANGE IN THE GOI'S POLICY ON NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS. QUERIED ON A PRESS REPORT THAT AMBASSADOR GOHEEN HAD SOUGHT CLARIFICATION, THE SPOKESMAN REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THE AMBASSADOR HAD CALLED ON THE PRIME MINISTER'S PRINCIPAL SECRETARY V. SHANKAR AND HAD RAISED THE NUCLEAR QUESTION AMONG OTHER THINGS.

ACCORDING TO THE "TIMES OF INDIA," THE CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER RECEIVED THE "SAME CLARIFICATION" FROM THE MEA JULY 28.

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2. IN THE RAJYA SABHA JULY 28, CPI LEADER BHUPESH GUPTA INTEMPERATELY PROTESTED THE AMBASSADOR'S CALL AND THE GOVERNMENT'S WILLINGNESS TO "CLARIFY" THE PRIME MINISTER'S STATEMENT. HE DESCRIBED THE AMBASSADOR'S BEHAVIOR AS "MOST OBJECTIONABLE" AND AN INSULT TO PARLIAMENT, AND SAID THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD TELL THE USG THAT INDIA WAS

NOT A CLIENT STATE. NOTING PRESS REPORTS THAT THEAMBASSADOR
WAS "SATISFIED" WITH THE REPLY GIVEN HIM BY THE GOI, GUPTA
WANTED TO KNOW IF THERE WAS ANY DIFFERENCE IN WHAT THE
PRIME MINISTER SAID IN PARLIAMENT AND WHAT WAS TOLD TO
THE AMBASSADOR. GUPTA'S OUTBURST MIGHT HAVE PROMPTED THE
MEA SPOKESMAN'S STATEMENT.

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